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Application No.: 09/417,832 )  
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Examiner: M. Ruthkosky  
Group Art Unit: 1745  
September 18, 2002  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This is not a response on the merits to the final Office Action dated July 22, 2002.

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

This Third Information Disclosure Statement is to submit documents cited in the European Search Report in a corresponding foreign application, which documents were not previously cited in the present case. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

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The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document may be found in the International Search Report where this document is cited.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.


CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

We also enclose a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d)(2).

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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